

OVERCOAT and MACKINTOSH SALE

As a special inducement to reduce our stock previous to spring arrivals we will make a large reduction on the above nobly goods at less than cost.

C. H. Cooper
The Leading House of Astoria

TODAY'S WEATHER.

PORTLAND, Feb. 21.—Oregon, Washington and Idaho; occasional rain today.

AROUND TOWN.

Charles E. Russ, of Eagle Cliff, is in the city.

W. H. McIlven, of Portland, is at the Occident.

Judge Henry McGinn of Portland is in the city.

W. T. Wiles, of Eugene, is at the Astor house.

E. M. Broadwell, of McMinnville, is at the Occident.

C. W. Holt is confined to his home with sickness.

Crawfish cooked in wine at the National Cafe.

M. P. Mason, of Aberdeen, is in the city on business.

John R. Ziller, of Kalama, is at the Parker house.

Bond Street Fish Market—Telephone number, 2113.

Thad. Trullinger has been appointed a special custom inspector.

Best 15-cent meal, Rising Sun restaurant, 612 Commercial street.

Mrs. M. Copeland has returned from a business trip to New York.

Mrs. Joseph Gribbler has returned from a short visit in Portland.

D. K. Campbell, of Hillsboro, is in the city, is a guest at the Occident.

Dr. and Mrs. Skinner, of Fort Stevens, were in the city yesterday.

Attorney Fred Strong, of Portland, is looking after court matters in the city.

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Councilman Uttinger is unable to be present at a meeting of the council meeting Monday night.

Dr. Jay Tuttle has removed his office one block west on Commercial street to the office rooms recently occupied by Dr. M. M. Walker; entrance next door west of John Hahn's shoe store.

The Ladies' Relief Corps will give a dance at Ford & Stokes' Hall on February 27. Admission 50c. The proceeds will be devoted to charitable purposes. Everybody cordially invited.

The steamer Signal arrived in yesterday from Seattle with 600 tons of coal for the Pacific Coast Company. She was nearly a day late owing to the heavy gale which has been prevailing along the coast.

The British bark Beachdall arrived in from Honolulu yesterday in ballast, and was immediately quarantined. As soon as released, she will proceed to Portland where she will take on a cargo of wheat for Europe.

Mr. F. O. Wonder, of Portland, will arrive in the city today with a full line of costumes for the Sons of Herman masquerade ball which will take place on February 22. Mr. Wonder will have his stock displayed at 137 Tenth street, near Commercial.

The suit against the Astoria Street Railway Company, brought by the Security Savings and Trust Company, of Portland, to foreclose the mortgage held on the system, has been laid over in the district court until Saturday, in order to allow the defendants time in which to amend their answer.

A divorce was granted by Judge McBride yesterday to Attorney J. C. Applewhite, of Portland, from his wife Edith L. P. Applewhite on the ground of desertion. The couple were married in San Francisco in April, 1897, the wife deserting her husband a year from that date. No defense was made.

The infant child of Sergeant and Mrs. W. F. Eubank, of Fort Stevens, who died Monday, was buried yesterday afternoon in the military cemetery at Fort Canby, the steamer Miller transporting the funeral cortege from Fort Stevens to the latter place. Sergeant Eubank has many friends in athletic circles in Astoria who will extend to him their sympathies in his bereavement.

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steamer R. R. Thompson at noon yesterday. She carries 120,000 bushels of wheat, valued at \$67,500. She cleared for Queenstown for Baltimore, for orders. The Margretha is the fifth grain cargo to clear from Portland since February 1. She is dispatched by the Portland Flouring Mills company. The Margretha was somewhat damaged several weeks ago by a collision with the German bark Magdalene. The latter was headed down stream, and the Margretha, which was then in a cross current and took a short across the river. She crashed into the Margretha, which was lying at the Green-dock.

The following is taken from the Willamette Harbor Pilot of the 15th inst. Light House Inspector E. D. Tausig was on the bay last week on a tour of inspection and announced that the barge would receive attention. He inspected the light-house and, although Captain Peterson was absent in South Bend, found everything in first-class shape, as it always is under the captain's systematic and efficient management. To Captain Peterson the inspector imparted the welcome intelligence that the department had decided to continue the light on this harbor. The wonder is that the idea of abandoning it ever arose.

No further effort will be made to float the lightship for some time, or at least not until a final arrangement can be made to have a tug upon the scene at a propitious time. Many doubt the feasibility of anchoring a screw off shore and running lines to the stranded vessel and having her mark her way out by the nose too rapid process of a steam winch. "Time and tide wait for no man," and inability to secure the services of a powerful tug, disengaged at a favorable "time and tide," has compelled the contractors upon several past occasions to forego any attempt to float the lightship, and now weather-beaten craft, and they will probably have the same obstacle to confront them for some time in the future.

In an interview in Seattle J. A. Lehman, who was one of the crew of the torpedo boat destroyer Goldsborough on her manufacturer's trial trips on the Columbia river, and who was ordered to leave the vessel, said that during her official trip in Puget sound waters, he is quoted to have said: "We had three trial trips of the Goldsborough on the Columbia river, and at each she has made over thirty-two miles an hour. Her requirement is thirty knots or about thirty-four miles. The boat will make this record here without a hitch, providing no accident happens to her machinery. The trouble with her trials on the Columbia river was that the water was too shallow. Drawing as much water as she drew there is a great suction, and it is low water this retards her progress."

The announcement that the Western classification committee of Western railroad has decided to advance by one per cent hundredweight advance in rates on coast shipments of lumber is good news to the lumbermen. Railroad men are also pleased with the stand and profit that it means, thus opening up of new markets in the East for the lumber products of the Northwest. The advance was asked chiefly by the Southern division, but in an effort to preserve the Eastern lumber market for their trade. Since its inauguration fir lumber has practically been shut out from the East, with the exception of a small quantity which cannot be secured elsewhere. The taking off of this advantage will, it is said, place the Washington and Oregon divisions on an equal basis in the East with Southern dealers.

HE JOINED THE CLUB.

Reply Letter From Secretary of State Dunbar to the Committee.

The committee in charge of organizing the proposed new athletic club recently wrote to Secretary of State Dunbar, requesting him to become a member of the club. Mr. Dunbar's reply is interesting. It follows:

"Salem, Feb. 19.—Yours of the 15th inst., setting forth the purpose and intention of the 'best people in the state' to organize an athletic club, has been received. I would, of course, be pleased to become a member of a club organized by the 'best people', but have suspicions that it is liable to contain some of the worst. I have, therefore, declined to join the organization. We have been busy for the past month trying to eradicate the poor record of a few fellows from Astoria left here a short time ago. It has been expensive trying to induce the people here to believe that Astoria ever heard of or saw a bowling alley, and have lately been seriously considering changing my residence to some other locality in Clatsop county. However, if you will agree to be less reckless in the future, and also agree to practice faithfully, I will agree to one day each week you may sign my name to the membership roll."

"I am also authorized by Sam (Kozler) and Harry (Young) to say you may sign for them as members, but I will not be responsible for their conduct."

"Wishing you and the boys every success in the organization of the new club, with kindest regards to all, I remain, very truly yours,"

"P. I. DUNBAR."

MATE KIRK'S SLAYER.

An Important Clue Discovered by the Police in Seattle.

New light has been shed on the murder of William Kirk, mate on the American ship Beament, whose body was found in the cabin of the vessel in Portland some time ago. An important clue is given by the Seattle Post-Intelligencer in an article of which the following is an extract:

"The publication yesterday morning of the fact that Captain John L. Warren, formerly master of the schooner Hera, was wanted in Portland for the alleged murder of William Kirk, mate of the American ship Clarence S. Beament, has caused wide comment among the accused man's acquaintances in this city."

"At the time the alleged murder was committed the Portland police did not know the name of the suspected slayer of Kirk. They knew that he was a boatswain, who had been discharged from the ship on which Kirk was mate; that he had once been mate on the Marion Chiles, and that he had a little finger missing from one of his hands. The slender information was telegraphed to all the principal cities of the coast. Detective Northrup, of the Seattle police force, supplied the information to the Portland officers that established the identity of the accused man."

The accounts of the crime published in the Portland newspapers describe it as a cold-blooded murder committed for the purpose of robbery. Kirk and Warren, whose names were then unknown, had been together often before the murder, and Warren, it is said, disappeared simultaneously with the discovery of Kirk's body."

"While drinking, Warren had talked

of having been mate on the Marion Chiles. This furnished the main clue that resulted in his identification. The information was telegraphed Chief Reed, who detailed Meredith on the case. Meredith ascertained that Warren had shipped as mate on the Chiles at Baltimore in one, early 1898, and had come round the Horn on her to Seattle; that after the boat's arrival here, he made a trip on her to Manila as mate and returned to Seattle last September, when he was given the command of the Hera, which was wrecked off the coast of Vancouver island in November."

The description and photographs which Meredith secured from Warren's wife, who is still in this city, tallied exactly with the description and appearance of the man who had been seen with Kirk, and all possible efforts are therefore being made to locate Warren. "Warren disappeared from Seattle on January 8. It is claimed that he left because he had forced two checks for small amounts and cashed them. He is supposed to have gone to Portland, and taken up his residence at a sailor's boarding house in that city. It is said that he always refused to give his name at the boarding house."

"Warren comes of a good Southern family. His wife stated yesterday that his people live in Washington City. He is a native of Virginia, has a good education and has sailed to all parts of the world."

"On the arrival of the Marion Chiles in this port from Baltimore, Captain Weedin and Warren were arrested on the charge of ill-treating some of the crew, but the case was never pushed to a full hearing."

"Mrs. Warren, when seen yesterday, said: 'I have not heard from my husband since he left this city early in January. He deserted me, and I have no idea where he is. Be that as it may, however, I do not think him capable of committing murder in cold blood. If he killed that man he was crazy when he did it.'"

Mrs. Warren is a strikingly pretty young woman. She is said to be of Spanish parentage. She has an infant child."

ANOTHER DAMAGE SUIT.

Clatsop Mill Company Again Made Defendant, This Time for \$15,000.

Another damage suit has been brought against the Clatsop Mill Company by a former employee, who recently sustained physical injury while on duty at the company's mill in this city. The plaintiff in this instance is Michael Ness, and the amount asked for by him is \$15,000 as compensation for the injuries received and as penalty for alleged breach of contract.

The story of the case, as told in the complaint, is that while Ness was at work on a saw dam in August last a log struck him, crushing a number of ribs and inflicting serious injury to his back-bone. The mill people, so it is alleged in the complaint, made a proposition to Ness, the terms of which were that he should receive the sum of \$500, providing for him all the necessities of life during his illness and confinement, and after his recovery, to give him permanent employment at the mill, in some capacity, throughout the remaining years of his life. This proposition, it appears, was agreed to by Ness and the company immediately entered into the details of its contract, and continuing to provide for Ness until Friday last when, Ness alleges, they served notice upon him that no further provision would be made for him by the company, and that he was to longer pay the rent for the house that has been occupied by Ness, he was advised arbitrarily to go to the hospital."

Ness claims damages in the sum of \$15,000, stating that he has been permanently incapacitated from further following his trade through the injuries sustained, and that the action of the company in making him leave the mill has thrown him absolutely upon his own resources which are inadequate to supply the necessities of life and comfort."

The day preceding the filing of this suit, proceedings were instituted by John Penttila, another former employee of the same company, for \$20,000 damages alleged to have been sustained through the loss of his right arm while on duty."

No answers have yet been filed by the company in either case.

FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT.

Suit Against George Taylor, of Portland, to Recover \$137.50.

A suit brought by McGregor & Normile against George Taylor, of Portland, to recover \$137.50, alleged to be due through a breach of contract, is being tried before Judge McBride and a jury in the circuit court.

"The facts in the case, as revealed in the complaint, are that in March, 1898, the defendant entered into a contract to deliver the plaintiffs about 7400 barrels of Jossens cement for use in constructing the government locks at Yamhill at the stipulated price of \$1.50 per barrel. A partial delivery of 2000 barrels was made with the explanation, it is alleged, that more was enroute from Europe on the City of Athens. It was found that 6000 barrels of cement were billed to the defendant at Portland, but that he discharged all but 1918 barrels of it at Port Los Angeles and delivered to McGregor & Normile only 1918 barrels in order to carry on their work the plaintiffs were compelled to purchase 2460 barrels of cement from other parties and pay \$137.50. The defendant is now being sued for this amount, which is expected to be reached today."

CIRCUIT COURT.

In the circuit court yesterday formal depositions were taken down as follows:

Henry Teller ex et al. vs. H. P. Anderson, demurrer overruled and defendant allowed three days to answer.

Apponia Kubler vs. Fannie C. Porter et al., motion set aside and dismissal of the service of summons and complaint argued and submitted.

Thomas Bush vs. John Hagstad et al., demurrer submitted and allowed until February 22 to answer.

Building & Loan Land Company vs. N. Clinton, sr., settled and dismissed.

Mary E. Eagan vs. Chas. M. Eagan, decree of divorce.

McGregor & Normile vs. George Taylor, on trial before a jury.

J. C. Applewhite vs. Edith L. P. Applewhite—Divorce granted; default.

Penitentiary Land and Trust Company vs. John Erickson and wife—Judgment.

Pacific Sheet Metal Works vs. Columbia Oil and Guano Company—Judgment and decree.

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Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Pears' Best Boat Paint

Its least virtue is that it lasts so.

Soap is for comfort; the clean are comfortable.

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Total Number of Names on the Roll to Date.

Astoria Precinct No. 1	47
Astoria Precinct No. 2	87
Astoria Precinct No. 3	82
Astoria Precinct No. 4	114
Astoria Precinct No. 5	108
Astoria Precinct No. 6	49
Astoria Precinct No. 7	47
John Day Precinct	13
Svensen	3
Walluski	16
New Astoria	17
Warrenton	10
Clatsop	14
Seaside	19
Molville	6
Chadwell	6
Young's River	7
Olney	14
Knappa	19
Westport	46
Vesper	2
Jewell	2
Mishawaka	2
Stale	2
Pual	2
Total to date	514

THE BURLINGTON.

Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

On its face it may appear to be a small matter, but in reality the announcement that the Burlington road will begin running a solid train from St. Louis through to Seattle is full of significance. It practically means another transcontinental line from the leading metropolis of the Pacific Northwest to the leading metropolis of the Mississippi valley. It means that we are to be brought into still closer relations with the Middle West through easier facilities of communications, and emphasizes the eagerness displayed by the great trunk systems to get in touch with the coming gateway to the Orient and the North.

ANOTHER BIG OCEAN LINER.

It is rumored that another big ocean liner is to be built, which will rival even the famous Oceanic in size. As usual, American enterprise is at the head of the project. America seems determined to have the greatest, whether it be steamships, air, inventions or medicine. Take Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as an example of what has been accomplished in medicine. It has proved its worth by over fifty years of cures of stomach diseases. There is nothing like this famous remedy for indigestion, biliousness, constipation and nervousness. It also cures liver and kidney trouble, and prevents malaria, fever and ague. Be sure you get the genuine, with Private Revenue Stamp over the neck of the bottle, or you will not be benefited.

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Solfiline! Solfiline! If you are sick and tired of rubbers, which protect your feet from wet or cold, and wish to save continual resoling of your shoes: If you wish to stop greasing your hands and prolonging the life of same at least fifty per cent. If you wish to save greasing your belts in your manufacture, go to Peterson & Brown, at Astoria, and try a case of Solfiline on your shoes and harness. Buy your shoes only of those who have that red-Take no other.

Address, PETERSON & BROWN, General Agents, Astoria, Oregon.

YOUNG MAN PERSEVERING.

Father—Didn't you promise to do all you could to discourage the young man who comes to see you? And yet I saw him kissing you last night.

Daughter—O, but you have no idea how hard he is to discourage.

GRAND MASQUERADE BALL

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To be given at

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February 22, 1900

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Best Sustained Character

Best Cake Walkers

Best Costume

Best Waltzers

Tickets for Maskers—Gentlemen, 51;

Ladies, 50 cents; Spectators, 50 cents;

Children, 25 cents. For sale by any

of the members.

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Hammond's Coin Special Breakfast Bacon

Hammond's Calumet Breakfast Bacon

Hammond's Salt Bacon and Hams

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